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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to new compounds of formula Ia or Ib wherein P represents a 5- or 6-membered heteroaromatic ring containing one or two heteroatoms selected independently from N, O and S of which at least one heteroatom is nitrogen; R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen; R<sup>2</sup> is selected from: C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, cyano, halogen, (CO)OR<sup>10</sup>, and CONR<sup>10</sup>R<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>3</sup> is selected from: C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, cyano, nitro, (CO)OR<sup>4</sup>, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylNR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, OC<sub>2-6</sub>alkylNR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, CONR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, and (SO<sub>2</sub>)NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup>; m is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; n is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; as a free base or a salt thereof, a process for their preparation and new intermediates used therein, pharmaceutical formulations containing said therapeutically active compounds and to the use of said active compounds in therapy.

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